

Thursday, October 23 2003

Commissioner Michael J. Copps
115 12th Street, NW
Washington, DC 20554

VIA FACSIMILE

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